

**AUBURN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR SESSION**

**January 12, 2004**

**Closed Session 5:00 p.m.**

**Regular Session 6:00 p.m.**

The Regular Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California with Mayor Cheryl Maki presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**Council Members Present:** Kathy Sands, Alice Dowdin, Kevin Hanley, Mike Holmes, Mayor Cheryl Maki

**Council Members Absent:** None

**Staff Members Present:** City Manager Bob Richardson  
City Attorney Charles Wachob  
Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi  
Public Works Director Tom Fossum  
Community Development Director Will Wong  
Engineering Division Manager Bernie Schroeder  
Airport Manager Jerry Martin

**Motion** to adjourn to a Closed Session under Government Code Section 54956.9: **MOTION: Dowdin/Holmes/Approved by voice**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION**  
(Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9)

Name of Case: City of Auburn v. Denham  
Placer County Superior Court Case 15073

**RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION, 6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Maki reported that the Council took no reportable action in the Closed Session.

Mayor Maki then asked for a moment of silence in memory of Pfc. Jesse Mizener, who died in Iraq.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **MAYOR'S COMMENDATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

The Agenda was approved without objection.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **1. Council Minutes**

By **MOTION** approve City Council Minutes of October 27, 2003.

### **2. Memorandum of Understanding between SACOG and the Jurisdictions Providing Transit Service in the Sacramento Urbanized Area**

By **RESOLUTION 04-01** authorize City Manager to execute the MOU between the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) and the City of Auburn, as one of the jurisdictions providing transit service in the Sacramento Urbanized Area.

### **3. 2003/2004 Street Overlay Project Phase 1**

By **RESOLUTION 04-02** authorize the Director of Public Works to file a Notice Of Completion for the 2003/04 Street Overlay Project Phase 1.

### **4. Grand Oaks Subdivision Phase 2**

By **RESOLUTION 04-03** accept the public improvements associated with the Grand Oaks Subdivision Phase 2.

### **5. Application for Grant Funds in the Amount of \$250,000 for an Interpretive Project in the Auburn School Park Preserve**

Item removed by Mayor Maki and Dan Sokol; follows Consent Calendar.

6. **Mussetter Estoppel Certificate**

By **RESOLUTION 04-05** approve the Ground Lessor's Estoppel Certificate and authorize the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City.

\*\*\*\*\* End of Consent Calendar \*\*\*\*\*

By **MOTION** approve Consent Calendar as amended. **MOTION:**  
**Holmes/Sands/ Approved 5:0**

7. **Application for Grant Funds in the Amount of \$250,000 for an Interpretive Project in the Auburn School Park Preserve**

Mayor Maki said she wasn't comfortable with the wording and thought it was kind of a stretch how the widening of Bell Road was related to the School Park Preserve.

Community Development Director Will Wong agreed that it was kind of a stretch. He added that the city was not the grant writer. The grant was written by the non-profit groups. The city is more of a conduit to apply.

Dan Sokol of 1330 Deerwood Place said this is one of those items that sneak up a little bit at a time and all of a sudden a lot of money has been committed. The taxpayers are not sure what's going on. Plus, he said the Council is not informed about what the consequences would be if they turned it down.

City Manager Bob Richardson told Mr. Sokol that the city had a flow chart of where the money is, where it comes from and where it goes. The city committed \$300,000 and spent about \$125,000 of that money. The non-profits are providing the lion's share of the remaining funds.

By **RESOLUTION 04-04** approve the filing of the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program grant application for the Auburn School Park Preserve Interpretive Project, certify that adequate provision be made for the operation and maintenance of the project, and designate authorized contract representatives. **MOTION: Sands/Hanley/ Approved 5:0**

8. **Public Comment**

Richard Sipe of 396 Baltimore Road asked the Council to help him split off part of his land so his children could live there. This land has been in the

family since the 1850's. He said the current zoning does not allow the split, but was told other properties had been granted exemptions and allowed to build. In his letter to the Council he asked for a hearing by the Council to resolve the matter.

Mayor Maki said the city should be able to figure out something so that our elderly and children could live in our community. Other Council Members agreed.

Council Member Holmes said that the Auburn War Memorial Committee will add the name of Jesse Mizener, who was killed in the war in Iraq, to the new War Memorial when it is built.

Council Member Holmes said that the old Firehouse on El Dorado Street needs to be saved. Something should be done to renovate it and open it to the public or possibly to rent it out.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **9. Restructuring and Extension of Maturity, Re-issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds for Auburn Palm Terrace Apartments**

By **RESOLUTION 04-06** approve the re-issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds by the California Statewide Communities Development Authority. **MOTION: Dowdin/Sands/Approved 5:0**

## **REPORTS**

### **10. Informational Reports from Staff**

#### **A. City Manager 2003/2004 Discretionary Fund Activity**

The City Manager reported that he had allocated \$1,265.00 of his \$3,000.00 fund leaving a balance of \$1,735.00.

#### **B. Airport Manager's Monthly Report**

In addition to the written financial summary of the airport budget furnished by Airport Manager Jerry Martin, he projected that revenues would approach one million dollars annually in 3 to 5 years.

#### **C. Fire Chief's Monthly Report**

Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi discussed the firefighters' winter training program.

11. **City Council Committee Reports**

Council Member Holmes reported that the Traffic Committee sent letters to the residents of College Way asking their opinion on making College Way a one way street. This is part of the attempt to alleviate the traffic problem caused by the pick-ups and drop-offs of students at the high school.

Council Member Sands said she had a meeting with Assemblyman Tim Leslie and Union Pacific Railroad looking for more support for improvements in the Roseville rail yard because that would mean more commuter trains coming into Placer County. She said that Union Pacific was very supportive and would even front the money for the improvements. But, she said that in her meeting with Caltrans, because of the budget cuts and restrictions, Placer County Transportation Agency would be a little hesitant to give Union Pacific the go-ahead because the Agency would have to reimburse the railroad.

Mayor Maki said she received a phone call from Virginia Fleming, a centenarian born and raised in Auburn, offering the City of Auburn a few manzanita bushes for the Last Chance Mine on the corner of Sacramento and High Streets.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

12. **Appointments to Economic Development Commission**

The City Manager told the Council that there were three applications and the EDC unanimously recommended Rod Gross and Harvey Roper.

By **RESOLUTION 04-07** appoint Rod Gross to Economic Development Commission. **MOTION: Holmes/Hanley/Approved 5:0**

13. **Presentation by ARD on Projects Funded through City Collect Park Impact Mitigation Fees**

This item was discussed after item 13.

Presentation by Alan Grenier, District Administrator for Auburn Recreation District.

Mr. Grenier discussed the written Summary of Activities for the last fiscal year as outlined in the agenda.

14. **Appointment to Library Advisory Board**

This item was discussed ahead of item 12.

City Manager Bob Richardson said there were five applications for this position.

By **RESOLUTION 04-08** appoint Michael Otten to Library Advisory Board.  
**MOTION: Dowdin/Hanley**

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Appoint Janeene Coleman.  
**Hanley/Maki/Approved 5:0**

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:20 p.m. in honor of Pfc. Jesse Mizener.

Adjourn to meeting of Auburn Urban Development Authority.

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Cheryl Maki, Mayor

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Joseph G.R. Labrie, City Clerk